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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING CAROTENOIDS
OR THEIR PRECURSORS USING
GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS OF
THE BLAKESLEA GENUS, CAROTENOIDS
OR THEIR PRECURSORS PRODUCED BY
SAID METHOD AND USE THEREOF

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Listing of claims begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.